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TAPE WINDING SURFACE

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**STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP OF PRIOR ART CITATION AND
INVENTION TO DISQUALIFY PRIOR ART UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(c)**

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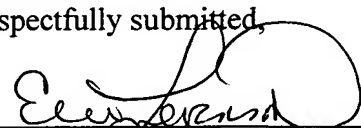
The above-identified application and the citation Zwettler, U.S. Patent No. 6,474,582 ("Zwettler"), were, at the time the invention of this application was made, and are currently, owned by the same entity, Imation Corp.

In addition, inventor Jerome D. Brown named in the above-identified application and Jerry D. Brown named in Zwettler are one and the same person, and inventor Brown is a prior inventor under 35 U.S.C. § 104.

The Patent Office may telephone the undersigned attorney with any inquiries regarding this Statement under 35 U.S.C. § 1.130(a)(2).

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